

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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Group Art Unit: 2609

Application No.: 10/807,453

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For: INFORMATION DISPLAY SYSTEM, INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS,
POINTING APPARATUS, AND POINTER CURSOR DISPLAY METHOD IN
INFORMATION DISPLAY SYSTEM

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In reply to the May 4 Election of Species Requirement, Applicant provisionally elects Species I (as shown in FIGS. 1-4), with traverse.

Applicant asserts that at least claims 1-7 and 9-16 are readable on the elected species and that at least claims 1 and 2 are generic to the indicated species.

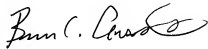
It is also respectfully submitted that the subject matter of all of the species is sufficiently related that a thorough search for the subject matter of any one species would encompass a search for the subject matter of the remaining species. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that the search and examination of the entire application could be made without serious burden. See MPEP §803 in which it is stated that "if the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to independent or distinct inventions" (emphasis added). It is respectfully submitted that this policy should apply in the present application in

order to avoid unnecessary delay and expense to Applicant and duplicative examination by the Patent Office.

Applicant submits that upon allowance of the generic claims, the remaining species in claims 8 and 17-46 should be rejoined and similarly allowed.

Thus, withdrawal of the Election of Species Requirement is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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